



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(205.002)

In the Application of: **WOB BEN**

Serial No: **10/089,812**

Priority Date: **JULY 8, 2000**

Title: **METHOD FOR OPERATING A WIND FARM**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

With respect to the above-referenced application, transmitted herewith is a **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** (9 pages)

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| Number of Claims In Excess of 20 | 21 | 20 | 1 | \$18.00 | \$9.00 | \$18.00 |
| Independent Claims In Excess of 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | \$80.00 | \$40.00 | -0- |
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| | b) Two Months | | | \$400.00 | \$200.00 | |
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Respectfully submitted,

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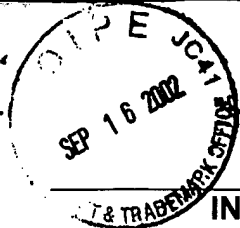
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-referenced application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please **DELETE** claims 1-6, without prejudice.

Please **ADD** the following claims:

- A'*
- 1 7. (**NEW**) A method of operating a wind park, the wind park having a maximum
2 permissible output power, wherein the wind park includes a plurality of wind power
3 installations, each wind power installation having an output power and a maximum rated
4 output power, the method comprising:
5 determining the output power of the plurality of wind power installations; and
6 controlling the output power of at least one of the plurality of wind power installations
7 including,

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